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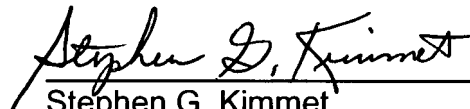
This is in response to the Examiner's Answer of October 18, 2007 to the Appeal Brief filed July 9, 2007.

Regarding section (4) Status of Amendments After Final of the Examiner's Answer (page 2), the Examiner states that Appellants' statement of the status of amendments after final is in correct. This, however, is contrary to Appellants' statement in section 4 Status of Amendments (page 4) in the Brief on Appeal where Appellants stated that in the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 dated March 9, 2007, the Examiner did not enter said Amendment. Consequently, in the Brief on Appeal, Appellant did not rely on the amendment to claim 20 (a claim Appellants chose not to Appeal) or any new evidence.

The Examiner continues to argue that Montonen's narrow annular port 5 is equivalent to Appellants' annular groove and that Posney's holes can be combined with Montonen's port to result in the claim limitations of at least one peripheral annular groove having a plurality of holes (which has the advantage of promoting accuracy of shaping). **Holes, however, cannot be disposed in Montonen's port 5, which is an annular void.** Thus, Montonen, Posney, and Yoshizawa cannot be combined as proposed by the Examiner. For at least this reason, the 35 USC 103 rejections of the claims in the appeal cannot stand.

Accordingly, all of the claims on appeal are believed to be entitled to allowance,  
and a favorable decision to that end is courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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